medicinal purposes, bamboo and cane work and fibre. The Commission is also undertaking KVI programmes (khadi, fibre and pottery) departmentally at Jagdalpur, Bastar District in Madhya Pradesh which is in tribal belt.

(b) Details of financial assistance provided and employment generated for the development of these industries under normal programmes of KVIC as well as in tribal and backward areas are as follows:

	Under Normal Programmes		
	Grant (Rs. in lakhs	Loan	Employment (in number)
1984-85	1.55	8 39	525
1985-86	0.13	0.79	4625
1986-87	1.38	4.26	7579
	Under Department Programme		
	Grant (Rs. in lakhs)	Loan	Employment) (in number)
1984-85	....	3.82	164
1985-86	....	4.60	134
1986-87	2.92	0.92	203

(c) For the development of these industries in 1987-88 KVIC allocated Rs. 9.58 lakhs and arranged for bank finance of Rs. 22.02 lakhs. The extent of employment generated would actually depend on the pace of the implementation of the development programmes. During 1989-90 an employment target of 0.46 lakh persons khadi 0.16 lakh persons and Village Industries 0.30 lakh persons has been proposed.

Checking cable manufacturers for producing quality goods

1342. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have urged the cable manufacturers to ensure strict quality, reliability and safety of cables;

(b) whether it has come to the notice of Government that several cable manufacturers are producing inferior quality products and thus playing with the precious lives;

(c) whether there is any check by Government on cable manufacturers to ensure the quality products; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) Government have introduced compulsory quality control for 40 household electrical appliances in November, 1981. Under this order, manufacture, sale, etc., of specified household electrical appliances, which include certain types of cables commonly used in household electrical appliances, are prohibited unless they are of specified standard.

Proposal to expand and modernise tyre industry

1343. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Directorate-General of Technical Development (DGTD) has a proposal under his consideration to beef up the tyre industry in the country;

(b) if so, whether any steps have been taken by Government to expand and modernise the industry;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) by when the proposals of the DGTD will be implemented and to what extent the public sector tyre industry will be benefited?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.